

(vi)	Narsiganj	— 25 lines MAX-III	} Year Plan
(vii)	Nokha	— Solines MAX-III	
(viii)	Kudra	— 50 lines MAX-III)	
(ix)	Bikramganj	— C-DOT 128 PORT	Electronic exchanges are already working.
(x)	Mohania	— MILT 64 Port	
(xi)	Ramgarh	— MILT 64 Port	

[English]

**Commemorative Postal Stamp on
"Kittur Rani Chennamma"**

5138. SHRI C.P. MUDALAGIRIYAPPA:
Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be
pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a persistent demand for issuing a commemorative postal stamp on February 2, 1992 in the memory of Kittur Rani Chennamma, the great freedom fighter; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) and (b). A few proposals have been received regarding the issue of a commemorative stamp on Kittur Rani Chennamma. Sponsors have been informed that a commemorative stamp has already been issued on this personality on 23rd Oct. 1977 and it is not proposed to bring out another stamp on the personality.

Buffer Stock of Seeds

5139. SHRI O. P. MUDALAGIRIYAPPA:
Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be
pleased to state:

(a) whether National Seeds Corporation maintains buffer stock of seeds to meet natural calamities; and

(b) if so, the crop-wise buffer stock of seeds maintained by NSC during the last three years, year-wise including the total value thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) and (b). During the 7th Plan period (1985-90), the National Seeds Corporation (NSC) was maintaining buffer stock of seed for North Eastern States as per the directions of the Govt. of India to meet natural calamities. A statement showing Cropwise details of quantity of seeds maintained by NSC under bufferstock during the years 1988-89 and is enclosed at Annexure. The total value 1989-90 of stocks maintained by NSC is indicated below:-

<i>Year</i>	<i>(Rs. in lakhs)</i>
1988-89	74.44
1989-90	124.57
Total :	199.01

During the year 1990-91, no buffer stock of seeds was maintained by the NSC.